

JOSEPH LYON.

DECEMBER 21, 1831.

Mr. PENDLETON, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Lyon, praying a pension for services during the Revolutionary war, report:

That it appears by the affidavit of the petitioner, that in 1778, he enlisted in what was called the Brigade of Teams, in the Connecticut line, on the continental establishment, for one year, and served therein during the term of the enlistment. That in 1780, he enlisted for one year in a company commanded by Captain Hodge, in Colonel Sherman's regiment, and General Parson's brigade, and served therein until the February following, when he was discharged in consequence of the scarcity of provisions; the American army being then stationed in the highlands of the Hudson. That in April, 1781, he enlisted in what was called the Spy Boat service, in Long Island sound, under Captain Brewster, and served therein for one year; and at the expiration of the time, he renewed his enlistment, and served till June, 1782, when he received a furlough, and was afterwards discharged.

There is satisfactory evidence of the petitioner's poverty, and the committee being of opinion, under all the circumstances of the case, that the petitioner has merited the public bounty, report a bill for his relief.

THE
OFFICE OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE
LAND OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.
JANUARY 1, 1874

TO THE
HONORABLE
MEMBERS OF THE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

SIR:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th inst., in relation to the matter of the land grant to the State of California, and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. M. Smith,
Commissioner of the Land Office.